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FM AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4736

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT:SPECIAL SELF HELP PROJECT: COLD STORAGE FACILITIES

REF STATE 52104

1. AMBASSADOR, DCM, AND POL/ECON OFFICER CALLED ON AGRICULTURE MINISTER BIGAYIMPUNZI ON MARCH 11 TO NOTIFY HIM THAT USG IS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO MOVE FORWARD ON COLD STORAGE PROJECT, EVEN THOUGH IMPLEMENTATION MUST AWAIT APPROPRIATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS BY CONGRESS. AMBASSADOR MARK REITERATED CONDITION THAT GRB MUST CONTRIBUTE 25 PERCENT OF PROJECT'S VALUE, AND SUGGESTED THAT BURUNDI MAY WISH TO CONSIDER VALUE OF LABOR AND OTHER EXPENSES IN INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT AND MODIFICATION OF SLAUGHTERHOUSE TO RECEIVE FREEZERS, TRANSPORTATION COSTS FROM DAR ES SALAAM TO BUJUMBURA, AND PROVISION OF AN AUXILIARY GENERATOR FOR USE IF REGULAR POWER FAILS. HE ALSO URGED THAT BOTH PARTIES MOVE QUICKLY TOWARD SIGNING A FORMAL AGREEMENT SINCE

THIS MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED BY JUNE 01.

2. MINISTER BIGAYIMPUNZI TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT HE WAS DELIGHTED THAT THE USG WAS READY TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THE COLD STORAGE PROJECT AND POINTED OUT THAT SUM OF 1 MILLION BURUNDI FRANCS (\$12,763) HAD BEEN BUDGETED EVERY YEAR SINCE 1971 FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROJECT. HE ASKED THAT THE USG SEND HIM LETTER DETAILING PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND COSTS SO THAT GOVERNMENT APPROVAL CAN BE OBTAINED

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FOR BURUNDI'S CONTRIBUTION IN BOTH LOCAL AND FOREIGN CURRENCES.

HE THOUGHT GRB WOULD PREFER TO BUY AMERICAN-MADE GENERATOR WHICH WOULD FIT IN WITH OTHER EQUIPMENT.

3. EMBASSY WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH DEPT, AID, AND U.S SUPPLIERS TO FILL IN PROJECT DETAILS. MEANWHILE, HOWEVER, WE WILL SEND GENERAL LETTER TO BUGAYIMPUNZI WITH BEST ESTIMATES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE, BUT WITH CAVEAT ABOUT POSSIBLE COST VARIATIONS OF UP TO SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS.  
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